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SUBJECT: SECVISIT LA- STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS

1. DURING VISIT OF SECRETARY ROGERS ON MAY 15 THERE WERE SEVERAL STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS IN CARACAS. ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS, WHICH GAVE DISTURBANCES MODERATE PLAY, THERE WERE DEMONSTRATIONS IN 15 HIGH SCHOOLS AND THE PEDAGOGICAL INSTITUTE. THREE VEHICLES WERE REPORTED BURNED, ONE STUDENT WOUNDED, SEVERAL ARRESTED BY METROPOLITAN

POLICE, ANTI- AMERICAN BANNERS DISPLAYED, AND SOME AMERICAN FLAGS BURNED. CLASSES IN AT LEAST SOME SCHOOLS WHERE DISTURBANCES TOOK PLACE ARE REPORTEDLY SUSPENDED TODAY (MAY 16).

2. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS FROM LOCAL SECURITY OFFICIALS THAT AT PRESENT THEY HAVE NO EVIDENCE OF PRIOR PLANNING OF DEMONSTRATIONS, BUT BECAUSE OF THEIR EXTENT THEY DO NOT RULE OUT THIS POSSIBILITY. THOUGH SOME DEMONSTRATIONS OBVIOUSLY WERE DIRECTED AGAINST THE SECRETARY' S VISIT (BANNERS, FLAG BURNINGS) OTHERS MAY SIMPLY REPRESENT CONTINUATION OF STUDENT DISTURBANCES OCCURRING OVER PAST SEVERAL WEEKS.

3. BECAUSE OF DISTURBANCES IT WAS CONSIDERED PRUDENT FROM SECURITY STANDPOINT TO CHANGE PLANNED ROUTING OF CARAVAN OF SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY ON ONE OCCASION. THIS POSED NO PROBLEM IN TERMS OF MEETING SCHEDULE AND TAKEN TOGETHER DEMONSTRATIONS HAD VERY MINOR IMPACT ON VISIT IN TERMS OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS.
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